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FACULTY AND OFFICERS OF GALLAUDET COLLEGE, 1923-24

President and professor of applied mathematics and pedagogy.—Percival Hall, M. A., Litt. D.

Emeritus vice president and professor of languages.—Edward Allen Fay, M. A., Ph. D., Sc. D., Litt. D.¹

Vice president and professor of natural science.—Charles Russell Ely, M. A., Ph. D.

Professor of English and biology.—Herbert E. Day, M. A.

Professor of mathematics and engineering.—Isaac Allison, E. E.

Professor of Latin and French.—Elizabeth Peet, M. A.

Professor of Latin and natural science.—Victor O. Skyberg, M. A.

Professor of agriculture.—Harley D. Drake, B. A., M. S.

Assistant professor of mathematics and physical director.—Frederick H. Hughes, M. A.

Assistant professor of English and history.—Irving S. Fusfeld, M. A.

Emeritus instructor of drawing.—Arthur D. Bryant, B. Ph.

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Instructor in domestic science and gymnastics.—Cornelia H. Rauch, B. S.

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Instructor in printing.—Frank B. Smith.

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DEPARTMENT OF ARTICULATION AND NORMAL INSTRUCTION, 1923-24

In charge.—Percival Hall, M. A., Litt. D.

Instructors.—Grace D. Coleman, M. A., Elizabeth Peet, M. A., Ida Gaarder, M. A., Irving S. Fusfeld, M. A.

Normal fellows.—Adda L. Dunlap, B. S., Hood College; Verde Lott, B. S., Mississippi College; Charles B. Grow, B. A., Westminster College; John W. Blattner, jr., B. A., University of Wisconsin; Roy F. Nilson, B. A., Gooding College.

Normal student.—John H. Groenke, Concordia Teachers' College.

FACULTY OF THE KENDALL SCHOOL, 1923-24

President.—Percival Hall, M. A., Litt. D.

Principal.—Ida Gaarder, M. A.

Instructors.—Helen Fay, Grace Ely,² Grace Coleman, M. A., Mabel Whildin, Marion Smith, Josephine B. Houchins, B. A., Marjorie Moss, B. A.

Instructor of sewing and cooking.—Agnes E. Suman.

Instructor in art and manual training.—Dorothy Hay.

Instructor in carpentry.—Norman Herrington.

¹ Deceased.

² On leave for the year.

DOMESTIC DEPARTMENT, 1923-24

Supervisor and disbursing agent.—Louis L. Hooper, M. A.

Attending physician.—H. H. Donnally, M. D.

Dentist.—Charles V. Stiefel, D. D. S.

Matron.—Cora V. Troup.

Matron, Kendall School boys.—Mrs. Hattie Baker.

Matron, Kendall School girls.—Miss Iona White.

Girls' supervisor.—Ruth Atkins.

Boys' supervisor.—Nathan Lahn.

Master of shop.—Norman Herrington.

Gardener.—Edward Mangum.

Farm manager.—Harley D. Drake, M. S.

Chief engineer.—W. J. Muir.

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COLUMBIA INSTITUTION FOR THE DEAF,
KENDALL GREEN,
Washington, D. C., September 1, 1924.

SIR: During the fiscal year, July 1, 1923, through June 30, 1924, there were under instruction in the advanced department of the institution, known as Gallaudet College, 77 men and 48 women, a total of 125, representing the District of Columbia, Canada, and 35 States. This is a decrease of 9 compared with the preceding year.

In the primary and grammar department, known as the Kendall School, there were under instruction 24 boys and 24 girls, a total of 48. This is a decrease of 4 compared with the preceding year. Of the total in this department, 44 were admitted as beneficiaries of the District of Columbia.

There were admitted to the institution 32 males and 28 females; discharged, 30 males and 17 females.

HEALTH

The health of the pupils of the institution during the whole year was excellent. A single case of scarlet fever occurred during the first few days of the fall term, but prompt isolation prevented the spread of the disease. Two of the college students suffered fractured legs as a result of football and baseball, but both were successfully reduced, although one necessitated a special operation to join the ends of the fractured bones. One case of erysipelas was successfully treated. One case of tuberculosis was discovered among the members of the graduating class. The patient was able to graduate and is now being treated at his own home.

It is believed that compulsory exercise, plenty of air and light, together with simple, wholesome food and careful medical attention, are responsible for the good record of the year.

COURSE OF INSTRUCTION

The course in bacteriology was continued during the year for a number of special students. A request for instruction in analytic geometry was promptly met, and special advanced work in mechanical drawing was furnished for several of the students of the junior and sophomore classes of the collegiate department. A great number of requests for instruction in printing has led our board of directors to request an appropriation for an additional typesetting machine for our printing office.

The course of study in the Kendall School remained the same as during the year before. Special attention, however, has been given to tone and rhythm work, with some gratifying results. Near the close of the year the hearing of the children of the primary department was tested, and a number were selected for special aural instruction during the coming year.

NEEDS OF THE INSTITUTION

The granting by Congress of increased appropriations of \$3,000 for 1925 for current expenses has made possible a small increase in the salaries of the more poorly paid employees. Rates of pay for our teachers are not yet what they should be in comparison with those paid in good schools for the deaf in this country.

The value of an additional typesetting machine has already been mentioned. The sum of \$4,400 is needed for this.

For the past few years attention has been called to the need of an administration building for our institution. This building should contain a room for social gatherings, library, offices, and classrooms. Its erection would enable the authorities of the institution to accommodate a considerably larger number of young men in the present main dormitory of the college, which is used for young men's sleeping quarters, for recitation rooms for both young men and young women, for offices, and for a library, which must be used both by the young men and the young women of the college.

At a meeting of the Conference of Superintendents and Principals of American Schools for the Deaf, held at St. Augustine, Fla., during January, 1924, the institution was urged to enlarge its normal training department, which was established with the agreement of Congress in 1891. This department has trained each year a very limited number of young men and young women of high educational qualifications to become teachers of the deaf. Their services have been much in demand and they have finally taken high positions in our profession throughout the country. This class also has supplied a number of excellent teachers for the faculty of our institution. The demand for well-equipped teachers has for years been larger than the supply and has resulted in the taking into our profession of a number of young people who have not had extensive training. Our training class should consist of 8 or 10 young people instead of the 5 or 6 now usually training, and one member of our teaching force should be definitely assigned to the charge of this important work, with a commensurate salary.

CONFERENCE OF SUPERINTENDENTS AND PRINCIPALS OF AMERICAN SCHOOLS FOR THE DEAF

A regular meeting of the Conference of Superintendents and Principals of American Schools for the Deaf was held at St. Augustine, Fla., from January 14 to 17, 1924. Over 30 executive heads of schools were present. The State school for the deaf and the blind at St. Augustine was open to the visits of the members of the conference, and they were delightfully entertained socially at the school.

A number of important topics were discussed at the meeting, among them pension plans for teachers, auricular training, supervi-

sion of children out of school, a survey of schools for the deaf, and the obtaining of a sufficient supply of well-trained teachers. In this connection the Columbia Institution for the Deaf was urged to enlarge its normal training department. The conference unanimously urged upon the Columbia Institution for the Deaf the establishment of research work. A resolution was unanimously adopted by the conference urging a careful survey of schools for the deaf throughout the country in order to study and compare methods of instruction, equipment, and methods of management of the most important schools.

The president of the institution and Assistant Professor Fusfeld attended the meetings of the conference.

RESEARCH WORK AT THE COLUMBIA INSTITUTION FOR THE DEAF

During the year the National Research Council agreed to send to our institution during the coming school year Dr. Robert H. Gault, of Northwestern University, to conduct special investigations into the possibilities of understanding spoken sounds through the sense of touch. He is to be assisted in this work by Asst. Prof. Irving S. Fusfeld.

The National Research Council has also undertaken a survey of schools for the deaf to take place during the coming year and has appointed Prof. Herbert E. Day chief investigator and Asst. Prof. Irving S. Fusfeld assistant investigator. Leave of absence for the coming year has been granted Professor Day and leave of absence for the time necessary to assist in the work has been granted Assistant Professor Fusfeld.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION TO PROMOTE THE TEACHING OF SPEECH TO THE DEAF

An interesting and helpful meeting of the American Association to Promote the Teaching of Speech to the Deaf was held at the Institution for the Improved Instruction of Deaf Mutes in New York City from June 30 to July 5, 1924. The president of the institution and Miss Grace D. Coleman, in charge of speech work in the college department, were present at the meeting.

ALUMNI REUNION

The alumni of the college department accepted the invitation of the board of directors of the institution to hold an alumni reunion at the institution in June, 1924. Many of them drove themselves and families to Washington from distant points in their own automobiles. Nearly 200 graduates and ex-students were present at this reunion. The authorities of the college were urged to expand scientific instruction, to promote the use of English through the further employment of the manual alphabet, and were promised the increasing interest of the alumni in an effort to provide a memorial building in honor of Edward Miner Gallaudet, president of the institution for over 50 years.

An interesting feature of the alumni meeting was the awarding of honorary degrees as follows:

Doctor of Science

Cadwallader Washburn, well-known artist and author, whose etchings of Mexican and South Sea Island subjects have won high praise from very well-known art critics.

Isaac Goldberg, a successful chemist of Brooklyn, N. Y., inventor of a number of paints, perfumes, and toilet articles.

Master of Science

John Clark, successful civil engineer of Panguitch, Utah; formerly employed in the United States Forest Service and now an independent engineer, engaged in the construction of roads, dams, and other projects.

Thomas S. Marr, a well-known and successful architect of Nashville, Tenn., who has recently completed the building of the new State School for the Deaf at Knoxville.

Master of Arts

James M. Stewart, a successful principal and teacher in the Michigan School for the Deaf for over 30 years.

STATEMENT OF THE DISBURSING AGENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1924

	Receipts	Expenses		Receipts	Expenses
AUTOMOBILES					
Salaries.....		\$748.24		Salaries.....	\$2,383.43
Supplies.....		71.79		Supplies.....	94.90
Gasoline and oil.....	\$1.56	240.47		Equipment.....	38.51
Equipment.....	125.00	77.46		Sundries.....	12.70
Sundries.....	9.00	99.76		Total.....	2,529.54
Repairs.....		259.03			
Total.....	135.56	1,497.35			
COMMISSARY STORES					
Salaries.....		879.43		Merchandise.....	\$1,251.76
Supplies.....		97.63		Sundries.....	602.77
Equipment.....		16.31		Traveling.....	
Merchandise.....	3.60	9,367.35		United States appropria-	503.93
Sundries.....		8.79		tions.....	128,625.00
Total.....	3.60	10,369.51		Total.....	9.09
FARM¹					
Salaries.....		3,997.00		Total.....	130,479.53
Supplies.....	3.00	1,095.29			1,912.56
Feed.....		5,205.93			
Plants and seeds.....		45.39		NORMAL DEPARTMENT	
Equipment.....		72.45		Salaries.....	2,333.00
Livestock.....	475.95	30.00		Sundries.....	18.95
Care of livestock.....		198.33		Total.....	2,351.95
Sundries.....	33.00	68.00			
Repairs.....		1,239.76		OFFICE AND ADMINIS-	
Milk.....	2,689.65			Salaries.....	20.00
Fruit and vegetables.....	12.70			Supplies.....	1.90
Poultry and eggs.....	927.16			Equipment.....	
Total.....	4,141.46	11,952.15		Sundries.....	47.57
GALLAUDET COLLEGE				Communication service.....	103.14
Salaries.....		35,607.85		Total.....	125.04
Supplies.....	26.85	957.54			11,176.59
Food.....	3.05	10,270.92		PARKING	
Equipment.....	70.00	402.85		Salaries.....	34.90
Doctors and medicines.....	163.60	1,450.41		Supplies.....	
Sundries.....	3.65	181.02		Equipment.....	1,435.31
Library.....		434.55		Sundries.....	295.33
Laboratory.....	.92	539.88		Contracts.....	718.25
Printing office.....	3,015.95	2,251.25		Board of horses.....	11.34
Tuition.....	5,471.25			Total.....	109.30
Total.....	8,755.27	52,096.27			1,081.27
HEAT, LIGHT, AND POWER					27.65
Salaries.....		3,069.78		GALLAUDET COLLEGE	
Supplies.....		197.51		Salaries.....	698.38
Coal.....		7,761.08		Supplies.....	545.58
Gas.....		1,275.53		Sundries.....	27.70
Equipment.....		17.49		Total.....	1,155.28
Sundries.....		1.11			1,271.66
Total.....		12,322.50		Grand total.....	147,843.35
IMPROVEMENTS, RENEWALS, AND REPAIRS					147,714.55
Salaries.....		6,719.52		RECAPITULATION OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES	
Supplies.....	76.23	6,462.33		Salaries.....	54.90
Equipment.....	.15	213.22		Supplies.....	114.59
Sundries.....		6.18		Equipment.....	671.10
Contract.....	19.30	2,549.84		United States appropria-	
Total.....	95.68	15,951.09		tion.....	128,625.00
KENDALL SCHOOL				Total.....	9.09
Salaries.....		12,431.23			
Supplies.....	2.00	352.77			
Food.....		1,138.58			
Equipment.....		384.92			
Doctors and medicines.....	53.83	890.95			
Sundries.....	33.65	86.51			
Tuition.....		2,000.00			
Total.....	2,089.48	15,284.96			

See footnote 1 on p. 8.

**STATEMENT OF THE TREASURER FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING
JUNE 30, 1924**

GENERAL FUND

July 1, 1923:			
To balance-----	\$1, 535. 23		
To 2 Chesapeake & Potomac Telephone Co. coupons-----	50. 00		
To 8 Chesapeake & Ohio Railway Co. coupons-----	180. 00		
To 2 Liberty loan coupons (second)-----	21. 25		
To 1 Liberty loan coupon (first)-----	10. 62		
To 2 Riggs Realty Co. coupons-----	25. 00		
To 1 Kansas City Power & Light Co. coupon-----	25. 00		
To refund of amount of check to Dr. Percival Hall for salaries and expenses-----	150. 00		
To interest on bank balance to Dec. 22, 1923-----	8. 66		
To interest on bank balance to June 20, 1924-----	2. 63		
Oct. 2, 1923:			
By purchase of 1 Kansas City Power & Light Co. bond-----	\$899. 31		
Nov. 6, 1923:			
By part of check to Dr. Percival Hall for salaries and expenses-----	150. 00		
Dec. 31, 1923:			
By H. Ralph Burton for bookkeeping expenses, treasurer's office-----	50. 00		
Mar. 19, 1924:			
By American Surety Co., for premium on bond of treasurer-----	25. 00		
Apr. 6, 1924:			
By Union Trust Co., rent of safe deposit box to Apr. 6, 1924-----	4. 00		
June 30, 1924:			
By balance-----	880. 08		
		2, 008. 39	2, 008. 39

MANUAL LABOR FUND

July 1, 1923:			
To balance-----	1, 142. 90		
To 8 Southern Railway Co. coupons-----	200. 00		
To 2 Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad Co. coupons-----	45. 00		
To 1 Kansas City Power & Light Co. coupon-----	25. 00		
To refund of check to Dr. Percival Hall for salaries and expenses-----	350. 00		
Oct. 6, 1923:			
By purchase of 1 Kansas City Power & Light Co. bond-----	\$899. 30		
Nov. 6, 1923:			
By part of check to Dr. Percival Hall for salaries and expenses-----	350. 00		
June 30, 1924:			
By balance-----	513. 60		
		1, 762. 90	1, 762. 90

¹ The account of the farm in relation with other parts of the institution is as follows:

	DEBITS	
Board and laundry of farm hands-----		\$947. 67
Repairs-----		398. 26
Sundries-----		44. 25
Total-----		1, 390. 18
	CREDITS	
Milk-----		4, 775. 06
Board of horses-----		425. 00
Fruit and vegetables-----		185. 76
Livestock-----		448. 08
Poultry and eggs-----		1, 236. 40
Sundries-----		15. 15
Total-----		7, 085. 45
Total credits-----		7, 085. 45
Total debits-----		1, 390. 18
Credit balance-----		5, 695. 27

MEMORIAL ART FUND

July 1, 1923:		
To balance	-----	\$78.70
To 2 Liberty loan coupons (fourth)	-----	4.25
To 2 Washington Railway & Electric Co. coupons	-----	20.00
To refund of amount received from memorial art fund Mar. 2, 1922.	-----	95.00
June 30, 1924:		
By balance	-----	\$197.95
		197.95
		197.95

SUMMARY OF BALANCES, JUNE 30, 1924

General fund	-----	880.08
Manual labor fund	-----	513.60
Memorial art fund	-----	197.95
		1,591.63

NOTE.—This does not include the expenditure of \$1,500 for pensions for the benefit of one of the retired members of the faculty and the widows of two professors. Besides the \$1,500 received in this fund during the fiscal year, interest amounted to \$10.19.

EXERCISES OF PRESENTATION DAY

The sixtieth public anniversary of the collegiate department was held in the college chapel on Tuesday, June 10. The invocation was offered by Mr. Thomas G. Shearman, of Washington, D. C.

Orations given by members of the graduating class were as follows:

Imposters Posing as Deaf, by William Theodore Griffing, Oklahoma.
My School Life in Trieste, by Marius Louis Santin, Connecticut.
What It Is To Be Deaf, by Nathan Zimble, Pennsylvania.

The following candidates were granted degrees:

Honorary degree of doctor of humane letters

Alexander L. E. Crouter, M. A., LL. D.		John W. Jones, M. A.
Newton Farmer Walker, LL. D.		

Honorary degree of doctor of letters

William A. Caldwell, M. A.

Master of arts in course

John William Blattner, jr., B. A., University of Wisconsin.	Verde Sonora Lott, B. S., Mississippi College.
Adda Lucile Dunlap, B. S., Hood College.	Roy Frederick Nilson, B. A., Gooding College.
Charles Benson Grow, B. A., Westminster College.	

Bachelor of arts

John Threewits Boatwright, South Carolina.	Edward Eugene McConnell, Ohio.
William Theodore Griffing, Oklahoma.	Harland Allen Markel, Pennsylvania.
Elizabeth Rose Hassett, Pennsylvania.	Helen Wead Pence, Ohio.
Uriel Cloran Jones, Florida.	Marius Louis Santin, Connecticut.
Ernest George Langenberg, Wisconsin.	Alfred Eugene Stephens, Oklahoma.
	Lalla Wilson, Florida.

Bachelor of science

Ella Burroughs Clarkson, South Carolina.	Roger Benjamin Williams, Ohio.
John Patrick Kirby, New York.	Nathan Zimble, Pennsylvania.

Certificate of graduation

John Herrman Groenke, Concordia | Nathan Lahn, Kansas.
Teachers' College.

Dr. Lucius Charles Clark, chancellor of the American University, delivered the address to the graduating class and friends of the college.

The benediction was pronounced by the Rev. Arthur D. Bryant, minister to the deaf, Calvary Baptist Church, Washington, D. C.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

PERCIVAL HALL,
President.

The SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR,
Washington, D. C.

REGULATIONS

1. The academic year is divided into three terms, the first beginning on the Wednesday before the last Wednesday in September and closing on the 24th of December; the second beginning on the 29th of December and closing the next to the last Friday in March; the third beginning on the following Monday and closing the second Wednesday in June.

2. The vacation is from the second Wednesday in June to the Wednesday before the last Wednesday in September.

3. There are holidays at Thanksgiving, Christmas, Washington's Birthday, Easter, and Decoration Day.

4. Pupils may visit their homes during the regular vacation period and on the above-named holidays, but at no other time unless for some special urgent reason, and then only by permission of the president.

5. The bills for the maintenance and tuition of pupils supported by their friends must be paid semiannually in advance.

6. The charge for pay pupils is \$500 per annum. This sum covers expenses in the primary department except clothing and extraordinary medical attention, and in the college except clothing, books, and extraordinary medical attention.

7. All deaf-mutes of teachable age, of good mental capacity, and properly belonging to the District of Columbia are received without charge. To students from the States and Territories who have not the means of defraying all the expenses of the college course the board of directors renders such assistance as circumstances seem to require, so far as the means at its disposal will allow.

8. It is expected that the friends of pupils will provide them with clothing, and it is important that upon entering or returning to the institution they should be supplied with a sufficient amount for an entire year. All clothing should be plainly marked with the owner's name. The students are required to furnish their own towels.

9. All letters concerning pupils or applications for admission should be addressed to the president.

10. The institution is open to visitors during term time on Thursdays between the hours of 9 a. m. and 3 p. m. Visitors are welcome at chapel service on Sunday afternoons at 5 p. m.

